

Council-Manager Form of Government

Something Old, Something New, Something Borrowed...

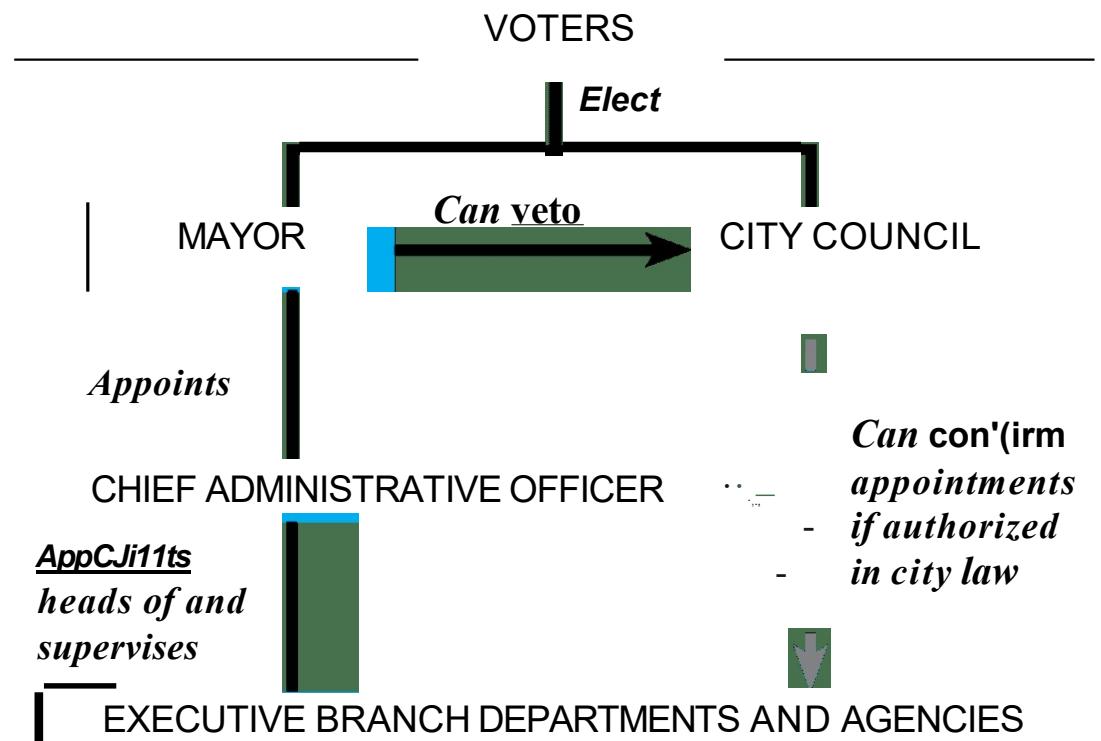


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Government

- Strong Mayor
- Mayor-Council
- Council-Manager





Current Council-Manager

- Mayor is Chief “Face” of the City
- Presides over meetings
- Day-to-day operations directed by City Manager
- No direct authority from Governing Authority to staff/employees



Pine Lake Hybridization

- Mayor retains veto power
- Mayor appoints City Manager subject to Council confirmation
- City Manager appoints Department Heads subject to Council Confirmation
- Council appoints City Attorney
- City Manager recommends City Clerk subject to City Council Confirmation





Mayor and Council May Direct Performance of 3 Employees

- City Manager
- City Attorney
- City Clerk



Be Careful

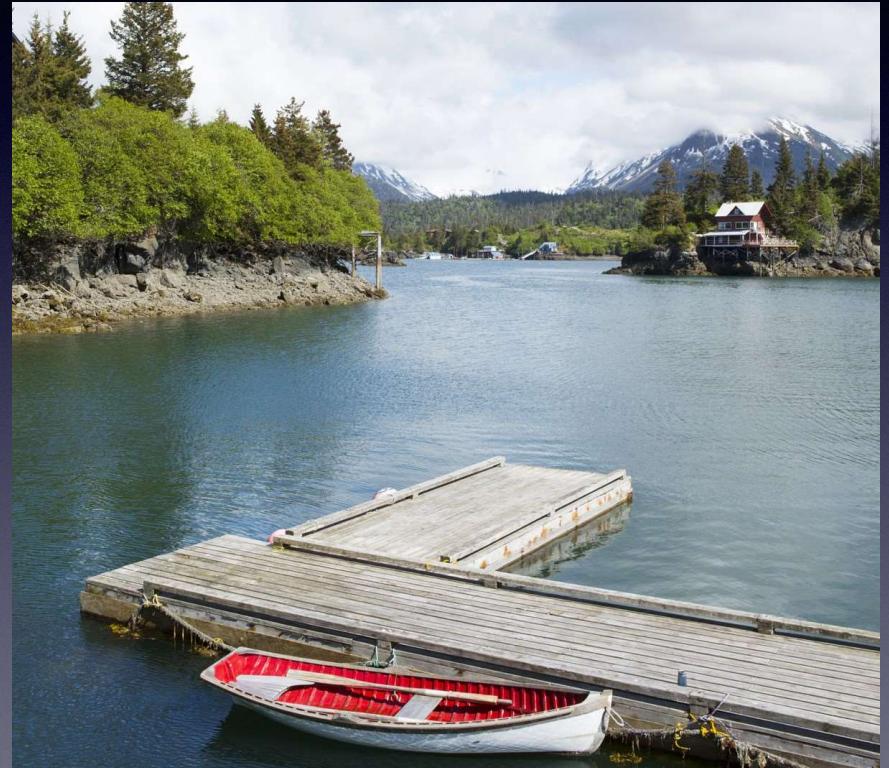


- Only one of Mr. Dagenhard's roles
- Also—
 - Purchasing Manager
 - Zoning Coordinator
 - And more

Role of the City Manager

Chief Administrative Officer

- Prepares the Budget
- Day-to-day Operations
- Directs and manages staff
- Reports to Council
- Attends all meetings of Council
- Charter Section 2.28



Oversight of City Manager

- Each and Every Meeting is a means of telling the City Manager whether he is or is not doing what the Council wants him to do
- Contract Performance
- Charter Duties
- Annual Contract
- Opportunity for daily interaction



City Attorney

- Client is the City of Pine Lake
- Conduct Governed by the Georgia Professional Responsibility Code adopted by the Supreme Court of Georgia
- Take direction from Mayor, Each Councilmember, and City Manager
- Not the lawyer for any member of staff or any elected official, as individuals, unless directed by City to undertake that representation as part of representation of City

